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COUNTY CONVENTION!

Address of the Democratic-Conservative Executive Committee to the Voters of Marshall County.

An important election is now near at hand; and as political parties are setting forth their principles and asking the support of the people, we, as the representatives of the Democratic-Conservative party in Marshall county, respectfully call to mind the great reduction of taxes—the improvement in the free school system, and the general reform in the administration of public affairs, which have been effected under Democratic rule. And we hereby recognize the binding force of the constitution with all its amendments, and emphatically declare ourselves and party in favor of peace and harmony with all races and classes of men.

We believe in the purity of the ballot-box—universal education—the equality of all men before the law. We are unalterably opposed to fraud and oppression and violence, and will forever resist centralization, and the ascendancy of the money powers. We are in favor of the unlimited coinage of silver, and demand that it be placed on an equality with gold. We denounce the national banking system, and demand that national bank notes be immediately retired and treasury notes with full legal tender power issued in lieu thereof. We are in favor of making greenbacks a full legal tender in payment of all debts except where by contract the debts are expressly payable in coin. We demand that the volume of currency be increased, and that a sufficient amount of treasury notes, gold and silver, be at once put in circulation to meet the demands of trade and industry in all their branches. We favor the taxation of U. S. Bonds if practicable, and we demand that all U. S. Bonds be paid according to contract, and that there be no further issue of Bonds. We oppose a protective tariff. We demand that the public lands be held by the Government for actual settlers, so that poor persons, unable to purchase, may provide themselves with a home. We cordially invite all men, without regard to race, color, or past political affiliations, and who believe in those principles, and expect in good faith to support the nominees of the party, to meet in primary conventions at the various voting precincts in this county, on

**MONDAY, THE 27th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1879. AT
11 O'CLOCK, A. M.,**

for the purpose of electing delegates to a County Convention to be held at the Court House in Holly Springs, on

THE 28th DAY OF OCTOBER, 1879,

When there will be nominated four Members of the Legislature, one Sheriff, one Chancery Clerk, one Circuit Clerk, one Treasurer, one Assessor, one Coroner and Ranger, one Surveyor and five Supervisors. The delegation to be apportioned as follows:

Hudsonville, 4; Mt. Pleasant, 6; Oak Grove, 3; Red Banks, 3; Wall Hill, 3; Armstead's School House, 3; Waterford, 3; Bethlehem, 4; Chewalla, 3; Court House, 3; Early Grove, 3; Bainesville, 3; Byhalia, 7; Watson, 3; Chulahoma, 4; Laws Hill, 2; Evans, 2; East Holly Springs, 4; West Holly Springs, 6.

W. S. FEATHERSTON, Chairman.

E. J. MCKINNEY, JNO H. WALKER, THOS. M. KEMP, W. J. PHILLIPS, S. D. HAMILTON
and ARTHUR FANT, Committee.

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